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SUBJ: ITALIAN COMMUNISTS SUPPORT THEIR IRANIAN BROTHERS

1. FRENCH LANGUAGE JOURNAL DE TEHRAN ON MAY 17 PUBLISHED LETTER FROM LUIGI LONGO, A LEADER OF THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY, TO THE OUTLAWED TUDEH PARTY ON THE OCCASION OF "POLITICAL PRISONERS DAY". THE LETTER PLEDGES SUPPORT AND ADMIRATION OF THE ITALIAN COMMUNISTS FOR THE DIFFICULT BATTLE WHICH TUDEH IS ENGAGED IN TO BRING LIBERTY TO IRAN. LETTER ALSO CITES FORMER HEAD OF IRANIAN PART KHOSROW ROUZBEH FOR HIS COURAGE, PRIDE AND FAITH-"A POLITICAL AND SPIRITUAL EXAMPLE FOR THE IRANIAN AND ITALIAN COMMUNISTS". LETTER WAS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN UNITA, ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY PAPER.

2. IN SAME JOURNAL ARTICLE REFERENCE IS MADE TO L'AVANTI, ORGAN OF THE ITALIAN SOCIALIST PARTY, WHICH HAS PUBLISHED RECENT NEWS STORIES ABOUT IRAN, "CITING FOREIGN INFORMATION AGENCIES". L'AVANTI REPORTEDLY STATED THAT ON MAY 13 CEREMONIES WERE HELD AT FILUME, "THE PLACE WHERE A STATUE OF ROUZBEH WAS ERECTED LAST YEAR BY A COMMUNIST MAYOR WHICH WAS MADE BY A COMPATRIOT OF ROUZBEH NAMED REZA OVLIA". (FYI: EMBASSY HAS NO PREVIOUS INFORMATION
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ON REZA OVLIA.) THE PAPER ADDED THAT THESE CEREMONIES WERE ATTENDED BY LOCAL POLITICAL AND CULTURAL GROUPS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TUDEH PARTY AND A NUMBER OF "DEMOCRATIC" IRANIANS.

3. COMMENT: THIS IS FIRST REPORT WE HAVE HAD ON THESE INTERPARTY RELATIONS SINCE LATE 1976 WHEN IRAJ ESKANDARI,

TUDEH SYG, VISITED ROME AND MET WITH BERLINGUER. ARTICLE
FIRST APPEARED MAY 16 IN ETELAAT, PERSIAN LANGUAGE DAILY
WITH SAME OWNERSHIP AS JOURNAL. WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE
THAT ARTICLE WAS ORGINALLY PUBLISHED ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM
THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION BUT THAT IT WAS NOT INTENDED
PUBLICATION LOCAL FOREIGN LANGUAGE PAPERS.
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